

# TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, July 5, 2006 - 6:00 pm San Bruno City Hall 567 El Camino Real San Bruno, CA 94066

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS -

# A. ROLL CALL

TSPC Members:	<u>Present</u>	Absent
(Chair) Stephen Pieraldi		X
(Vice-Chair) Peter Jalilie		X
John Giuseponi	Χ	
Sol Weiner (Acting Chair)	X	
Doris Maez \	Χ	

# Staff in Attendance:

Chris Coles, Public Works Department Frans Lind, Public Works Department Marc Catalano, Police Department Mirella Ramirez, Public Works Secretary

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved from the May 3, 2006 meeting. Motion to approve by Doris Maez, seconded by John Giuseponi (M/Maez, S/Giuseponi: 3-0-0) <u>Approved.</u>

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL

None. Sol Wiener wanted it noted in the minutes that the City Council Representative to the Committee was not present for this meeting.

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Chris Coles reported that the Cypress Avenue traffic calming plan went to City Council on May 23 and it was decided to have two speed humps per block on the 100 and 200 blocks, and to keep Cypress Avenue two way travel. Speed humps should be installed by mid July. Humps will be asphalt. Study will include no speed humps with school in session. No speed humps with no school in session and speed humps with school in session. Sol Weiner stated that the Committee went though a lot to get to this point and it was nice to finally see it was being done. Doris Maez

- seconded Sol's comments. Doris Maez made the comment that leaving Cypress Avenue two way will not solve the problem. She felt that the City Council ignored the Committee's recommendation.
- B. Chris Coles reported on the request for lighting at Moulton Drive cul-de-sac and Skyline College stairway. Chris Coles stated that at this time there is no funding available for street lighting and therefore this item is been tabled. Chris Coles stated that the lights are paid by the City through the Public Works Street fund.
- C. Speed Zone survey is now completed and City Council has passed Ordinance. For the most part, speed remained the same expect for eight street segments. Doris Maez asked is speeds were generally increased or decreased. Chris Coles answered that they decreased.
- D. Letter for parking restrictions were approved and were provided to the applicants for signature and deposit. Public Works has received the signed letter and check for deposit for Chuy's Deli and Hanlon's Tires. Regarding the Park Plaza apartments, Samtrans was called and they informed Frans Lind that the City had painted the red curb. Staff recommendation is that Plaza apartments not be charged for removal of red curb. Next step for Chuy's Deli and Hanlon's Tires is to bring items to City Council with request for approval.
- E. Request for handicap, curbside parking in the public street. Chris Coles stated that it was decided to not send item to City Council.

# 5. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Police Department request for NO PARKING signs along Railroad Place. This has become a popular place for dumping cars. Staff recommendation is to turn Railroad Place into NO PARKING tow zone. John Guiseponi asked if whole area would be turned into a NO PARKING zone. Chris Coles answered yes it would be. Doriz Maez made the comment that once the Grade Separation construction started this area would all be changed. John Guiseponi made motion to accept recommendation and Doris Maez seconded (M/Guiseponi, S/Maez: 3:0:0) Approved
- B. Police Department request for red curb in tapers of the curbside parking bays along the southerly side of Commodore Avenue between National Avenue and El Camino Real. Chris Coles stated that there are no records of City accepting streets from developer. This item is informational for now since further research is needed at the moment. Will have to talk to the City Attorney about this item. Frans stated that they had just found a staff report that indicated that the streets, were in fact, accepted by the City. Frans stated that the City has accepted Commodore and National as public streets. Chris Coles took back his comments since the streets have been accepted. Chris Coles questions whether this should be handled administratively or taken to Council. Chris Coles stated that they are particularly concerned about fire access. Doriz Maez stated that they should also take a look at it in the long term and think about the parking situation. Maybe they can consider adding some motorcycle parking and not take way the whole 16 feet for each taper.
- C. Public Works requested a 25-foot extension of red curb at First Street and Angus Avenue. Caltrain brought up the problem to Public Works. It seems that motorists could be confused when they make a stop at this intersection. This item is informational only at the moment. Public Works is seeking approval to extend the red curb to make this a safer intersection and limit the confusion on motorists. Vegetation would be cut down for more visibility and more signage would be added to make the intersection more clear. Some vegetation has already been cut down. From Committee, Public Works is seeking approval to extend red curb. Walt Bird, 3220 Crestmoor Drive, inquired about removing foliage on the south side by the tracks to improve visibility at this intersection. Doriz Maez asked if this was Railroad property. Walt Bird answered that it was not. Motion to

accept recommendation by staff made by Doris Maez and seconded by John Guiseponi (M/Maez, S/Guisepoine: 3:0:0) Approved

# 6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Walt Bird, 3220 Crestmoor Drive, stated that he noticed that after the last meeting there was a red eye unit and it seemed to help and motorists slowed down somewhat. He thinks it helps but maybe should consider speed bumps at some point in order the further control speeding on Crestmoor.

Doris Maez, 2251 Fleetwood Drive, stated that the pedestrian crosswalk by Artichoke Joe's to parking lost across the street is not visible and needs to be repainted.

## 7. REPORT ON ALL STAFF-LEVEL TRAFFIC RELATED ISSUES OR ACTIONS -

- A. Staff learned that there was no survey of parking on San Mateo Avenue conducted by the Chamber of Commerce. Frans Lind stated that someone had brought up that possibly the Chamber of Commerce had conducted such a parking study when the green curb request on San Mateo Avenue were on the agenda. John Guisepone asked if they were planning on conducting such a survey. Sol Weiner stated that the statement was made and wanted to know if staff had asked the Chamber of Commerce directly regarding this survey. Staff was directed to talk to the Chamber of Commerce in order to clarify this.
- B. Review of speeding situation on Crestmoor Drive. Chris Coles stated that the speed limit was maintained at 25 mph after speed zone study. Critical speed was found to be 34 mph in this study, which normally would lead to a recommendation of changing the speed limit to 30 mph, but considering the conditions on Crestmoor Drive, it was decided to keep the speed at 25 mph.

Staff would like to add a couple of new signs and a couple of pavement markings with "25" "HILL" and "SCHOOL" signs. John Guiseponi asked what color the signs would be. The answer was standard black and white signs. John Guiseponi asked if any additional STOP signs would be added. The answer was no. John Guiseponi would like someone to look into the possibility of adding additional STOP signs on Crestmoor Drive since speeding on Crestmoor has been a problem for many years. John Guiseponi requested that staff looking into adding stop signs. Doris Maez stated that STOP signs aren't that effective since some people blow right through them. Without enforcement stop signs aren't that effective.

Sol Weiner said that there was a big problem with John Muir School and parents stopping at any location to drop off kids. Patricia Casey, 3151 Crestmoor Drive, stated that she worked with the Principal on this problem with John Muir and traffic was greatly improved. Tom Hamilton, 3481 Crestmoor Drive, agreed that the problem at John Muir School has greatly improved but stated that the problem is not limited to school hours. There is a big problem between the hours of 4 to 8 pm. Regarding the stop signs, agrees that not everyone stops at stop signs but vast majority will slow down, even if they don't make a complete stop. He thinks that Piedmont should be a consideration for a STOP sign, and maybe even Bryant Way. Bob Toberer, 170 London Court, stated that the average speed on Crestmoor Drive is 45 to 50 and it has never changed in the last 30 years. Maybe adding a stop sign at London Court would slow down traffic, and another one at Bryant Way. Dave Dormlas, 3401 Crestmoor Drive, stated that if most traffic is going at 35 mph, then 25 mph wouldn't fly in court. Is this true? Marc Catalano stated that it was up to the officer to prove his case to the traffic referee. It is the officer's discretion at what speed they ticket. Dave Dormlas asked if radar will only focus on high speeders. Marc Catalano stated that they don't tell officers to go only after the top speeders. It is up to the officer's discretion. John Moret, 2930 Crestmoor, suggested that the school lock the gate at John Muir School to control the drop off/pick up problem at the school. He stated that one of the worst areas for speeding is John Muir School. Sol Weiner

stated that the Police Department patrols as much as possible, but they can't be there all the time. They only have one motorcycle.

# 8. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES -

- A. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Committee Doris Maez reported that they took a field trip on a scooter going through all routes that are walked in an around Tanforan. She stated that one observation made was that there is no pedestrian refuge in the median when crossing from Tanforan to The Crossing. It is a very long crosswalk and hard for some people to make it across in the time allowed. Also sidewalk by Shell Station is not in good condition and it has the same problem with no pedestrian refuge. She also said that there are a lot of obstacles for pedestrian walking from BART to Tanforan. One observation made was that there are no signs for the elevator. It seems that not a lot of thought went into this development for pedestrian access. Committee will have a report in the near future.
- B. Caltrain Grade Separation Committee John Giuseponi stated that there was no meeting and there would be no meeting for a while. Walt Bird, 3220 Crestmoor, said he made a recommendation to demolish San Bruno Lumber. John Guiseponi asked him if anything was sent to Jim Ruane or Ken Ibarra. Walt Bird stated that he sent Ken Ibarra an email.
- C. Sol Weiner wanted it noted that he was given a letter from resident Susan Morton, Kains Avenue, and it was given to staff to put into next agenda.

# 9. ADJOURNMENT -

Motion: To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until it's next regular scheduled meeting on August 2, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

(M/Guiseponi, S/Maez): 3-0-0 - Approved. Meeting Adjourned, 7:40 pm.